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OBSERVES 114TH YEAR—Chief Big Bear Two Hands celebrated his 114th birthday anniversary on Tuesday, southeast of Perkins, with two long-time friends, Jesse James III, and Frank Eaton (Pistol Pete). Big Bear, chief of the Iowa tribe, is the oldest living Indian chief in America. He first met the notorious Jesse James at Lawrence, Kansas, in 1863, and on many occasions, served as scout and guide for the James outfit. Elder Jesse introduced his grandson, Jesse III, to the chief when the lad was 14 years old. Big Bear said the James who came out of hiding in 1948, and who died in 1951, was the authentic Jesse James, supposedly killed at St. Joseph, Mo., in 1882, by Bob Ford. Pistol Pete, 95, of Perkins, says he was a friend and admirer of old Jesse.—News-Press photo.

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<div>November 2008</div> <div>Iowa Tribe Title VI Menu and Elders' Activities</div> <div>Subject to change</div>									
Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
3 Ham and Beans Spinach Onions and Peppers Corn Bread Berry mix Milk		4 Goulash Mixed Vegetables WW Bread Splenda Peach Crisp Milk Sitter-cise 1 - 2		5 Chicken w/ Noodles Green Beans Salad Wheat Bread Fruit Cup Milk		6 Pizza Green Salad w/ tomatoes Orange Slices Jell-O w/ fruit and nuts Milk 1 – 4 Craft Day		7 Western Scrambled Eggs Bacon Biscuits w/ Gravy Tomato Slices Orange Juice Milk Shopping	
10 Fish Sticks Macaroni and Cheese Salad w/ dresing Mixed Fruit Milk		11 Roast Beef Mashed Potatoes/gravy Asparagus Salad Strawberry Fluff Roll Milk VETERANS DAY		12 Steam Fry ½ Boiled Potato Seasoned Green Beans Fry Bread Mandarin Oranges Milk		13 Soft Turkey Taco w/ Lettuce & Tomato Spinach Salad Refried Beans Peaches Milk		14 Pancakes Sausage Strawberries Orange Juice Milk P-up/Deliver Commodities	
17 Sloppy Joes w/ Buns Baked French Fries Green Salad Cinnamon Apples Milk		18 Sliced Ham Sweet Potatoes Spinach Biscuit Peach Crisp Milk Sitter-cise 1 – 2		19 Chili w/ Cheese & Onions Crackers Veggie Sticks w/ Dip Berry Yogurt Parfait Milk		20 NO MEAL DELIVERY Elders Thanks-giving Dinner Turkey and Dressing Mashed Potatoes w/Turkey Gravy Green Beans w/ bacon & onions Roll & Green Salad Splenda Pumpkin Pie 1 – 4 Craft Day		21 French Toast w/ Strawberries Bacon Orange Juice Milk Lunch and Learn w/ Clinic	
24 Meatloaf Green Beans Scalloped Potatoes Pears Roll Milk		25 Baked Chicken Zucchini & Tomatoes Corn Wheat Bread Fruit Cup		26 Beef w/ Corn Soup ½ Boiled Potato Green Beans Fry Bread Fresh Fruit Milk		27 THANKSGIVING DAY 		28 Scrambled Eggs Ham Biscuits w/Gravy Grape Juice Apricots Milk Leslie Brown 10 /9 /2008	

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A STATEMENT BY NIGA CHAIRMAN ERNIE STEVENS, JR. ENCOURAGING INDIAN COUNTRY TO GET OUT AND VOTE ON NOVEMBER 4 TH			
<p>The right to vote is one of the most fundamental rights and duties we have as American citizens and is the foundation of our government. Our nation’s democratic system is founded on the abiding principle that people consent to be governed. One of the most basic and important ways we give our consent is by casting our vote.</p> <p>In just a few weeks, on November 4th, 2008, we will be going to the polls to select new leadership in the White House and Washington, D.C. Our voting right ensures that we have a say in our communities and this country’s future. Whether we take advantage of that opportunity is up to us.</p> <p>Recent history has shown that our vote in Indian country has been critical to the outcome of many recent elections. The Native Vote does make a difference at all three levels: national, state and local.</p> <p>I encourage everybody to once again be part of the empowerment of our people in Indian country and make your voice heard at the ballot box. By going to the polls in record numbers once again, your voice will solidify the Native voice in Washington, D.C., and will be the difference in making sure that the leaders we elect will join us in defending our sovereignty and are committed to serving the interests of Indian country.</p> <p>It is no secret that Legislators respond to numbers and if we turn out in record numbers again on Election Day, your voice will be that much stronger on Capitol Hill. Our collective electoral power can help bring the improvements we seek for our communities. Public policy can be influenced and your vote will be the strength; the catalyst in helping us move the Indian country priorities further.</p> <p>All around this country, in every major election over the past few years our vote has made a tremendous difference. That is why pushing the Native vote has been a priority in this electoral cycle, especially in many of the key swing states such as Arizona, New Mexico, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, and Wisconsin. They know that the Indian country vote will once again make a difference.</p> <p>We must select people who will work on behalf of the best interests of Indian Country regarding adequate health care, quality education, the right to fully govern our lands, to protect our tribal citizenry and the right to see that our nation's commitments to tribes are fulfilled. The price of not voting is too high right now with potential budget cuts to Indian Country programs as a result of the economic crisis.</p> <p>Many say that one vote will not make a difference and many people mistakenly believe that what happens on Capitol Hill has nothing to do with their daily lives. That is simply not true. With the advent of Indian gaming, which began in earnest in the early 1990’s, tribal communities have taken advantage of the</p>		<p>unprecedented opportunity to rebuild our communities and revitalize our economies, languages and cultures.</p> <p>As an advocacy organization, our job at the National Indian Gaming Association is to continue to work on behalf of Indian country regarding the legislative issues that impact Indian gaming. Fulfilling our mission at NIGA - advancing the lives of Indian people – economically, socially and politically, can all be greatly aided by the Indian Country voter turnout. Your vote empowers our efforts and is the defense of Tribal sovereignty, Indian Self-Determination, and the promotion of Economic development on behalf of Indian country. I commend the efforts of those who continue to work at energizing the Native vote by working all over Indian country, coordinating “get out and vote” initiatives, and committing themselves to working at increasing our Native presence at the polls.</p> <p>Right here in my state of Wisconsin, the Native Get Out The Vote (GOTV) initiative has been in full force. Last week I was honored with the opportunity to be part of the GOTV bus tour. Led by tribal elders Eunice Stick of the Stockbridge Muncie tribe and Delores Johns, of the Oneida tribe, and coordinated by Gerald Danforth, former Chairman of the Oneida Nation and Scott Vele, Executive Director of the Mid-West Alliance of Sovereign Tribes, the GOTV bus tour and was successful in reaching out to all of the tribes in Wisconsin, registering hundreds of voters.</p> <p>Further, it was exciting that the bus tour made visits to all 11 tribes throughout Wisconsin and were met by tribal leadership, tribal membership, employees and their local GOTV forces who have worked for months in each of their communities on this campaign.</p> <p>During our visit to the Forest County Potawatomi Tribe, Chairman Phillip Shopodock said, “The importance of coming together, united in the effort to get out the vote will not go unnoticed. We will make it clear that we can make the difference not only in our local and state elections, but as a key voting state in the race for the Presidency of the United States. Without a doubt, the Wisconsin Native vote will make a difference.”</p> <p>Throughout Indian country there are continued examples of the Native GOTV drive, such as ours in Wisconsin. Many people are volunteering their time and efforts in each of their tribal communities to amplify the Native voice. I know this Indian country wide effort will prove rewarding. The Indian country vote will be the significant vote this election year.</p> <p>We all yearn to make a difference, and elections provide that opportunity. The right to vote means nothing if we don’t show up at the polls.</p> <p>Let’s make our voices heard. Let’s continue to make democracy work for us.</p>	



Bison Program Update

Submitted by: Ken Knight, Agriculture Specialist

Greetings from the bison pasture! I hope and pray that all of you are doing well, and would like to report on the progress of our bison herd. We currently have 62 bison on pasture, with a total of 14 calves born this year. It has been a good summer, with ample rain (although we could use a little more), and the bison have been doing well. The mating season was in July and August, so we are expecting new calves in the spring.

In the winter and spring of 2006-2007, we completed our bison corral system, which allows us to corral the bison safely. We also installed a livestock scale last year, so that we can monitor the weight gains on the calf crop. The corral system is built with the safety of the bison and the bison handlers both in mind. All vaccinations, medical work and transporting of bison can be done with safety and security. Earlier this year, we were able to purchase a stock trailer that was built specifically for transporting bison.

A first for the Iowa Tribe is that we are going to sell some bison via the Internet on November 15th. This will be in conjunction with the Oklahoma Bison Association's annual show and sale. We have been members of the OBA since 2003.

The Iowa Tribe also attended the summer annual meeting of the Inter-Tribal Bison Cooperative, which was held in June in Oklahoma City. There are several issues concerning bison that were discussed and provisions made to ensure that bison restoration will continue on Tribal lands. The Iowa Tribe has been a member of ITBC since 2003, as well.

If you have any questions about the bison program, or would like information on attending the bison sale, please feel free to contact me at (405)547-2402, ext. 230.

2008 Fall Carnival



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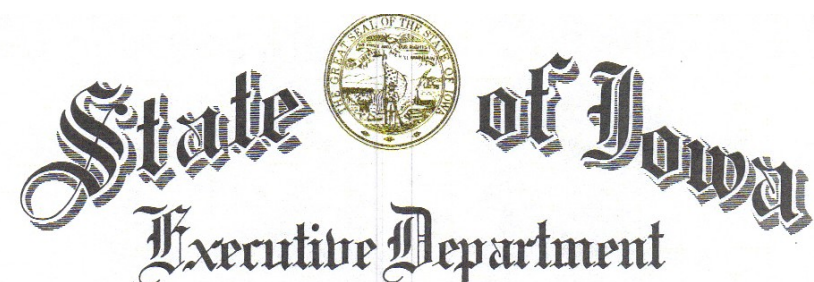
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If you aren't getting a newsletter and would like one, do not hesitate to call me in enrollment to update your mailing address or submit a request.



IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS, MEMBERS OF THE IOWAY TRIBE AND THEIR ANCESTORS WERE THE STEWARDS OF NEARLY 60,000 SQUARE MILES, INCLUDING ALL OF WHAT IS NOW KNOWN AS THE STATE OF IOWA, FOR NEARLY 1,000 YEARS; AND
- WHEREAS, THE IOWAY TRIBE HAS MADE SIGNIFICANT CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO IOWA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; AND
- WHEREAS, THE IOWAY AND ALL OTHER NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES WERE REMOVED FROM THE TERRITORY BEFORE IOWA BECAME A STATE; AND
- WHEREAS, THE STATE OF IOWA IS NAMED FOR THE IOWAY TRIBE; AND
- WHEREAS, THE MEANING OF THE WORD IOWA IS "THOSE WHO SEPARATED" AND NOT "THE BEAUTIFUL LAND"; AND
- WHEREAS, THE IOWAY PEOPLE PRESENTED GIFTS TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF IOWA ON OCTOBER 12, 2007, AT THE STATE CAPITOL; AND
- WHEREAS, IOWANS ARE GENERALLY UNAWARE OF THE HISTORICAL AND PRESENT-DAY CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE IOWAY; AND
- WHEREAS, THERE IS NO FORMAL INSTRUCTION IN IOWA PUBLIC SCHOOL REGARDING THE ROLE OF THE IOWAY PEOPLE IN AMERICAN HISTORY; AND
- WHEREAS, OCTOBER 7, 2008 IS THE 171ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE NO HEART MAP, A HAND-DRAWN MAP PRESENTED TO OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON, DC BY THE IOWAY TO SUPPORT LAND CLAIMS SHOWING IOWAY MIGRATION FROM THE GREAT LAKES AREA TO THEIR ANCESTRAL HOME IN THE STATE OF IOWA; AND
- WHEREAS, A NEW HISTORICAL DOCUMENTARY FILM ENTITLED "LOST NATION: THE IOWAY WILL BE RELEASED ON DVD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2008:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHESTER J. CULVER, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF IOWA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER 5-11, 2008, AS

NATIVE IOWAY HISTORY WEEK

IN IOWA.



ATTEST:

Michael A. Mauro
MICHAEL A. MAURO
SECRETARY OF STATE

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS 26TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND EIGHT.

Chester J. Culver
CHESTER J. CULVER
GOVERNOR OF IOWA

IOWA TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA

Current Job Openings

Mailing Address:
RR 1 Box 721, Perkins,
OK 74059
Fax: (405)547-1092
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<http://www.iowanation.org>

Equal Employment Opportunity Statement

The Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or disability status in employment. However, individuals of Indian ancestry and Veterans will be given preference by law in initial employment or re-employment.

Infant/Toddler Caregiver
GC Admin. Assistant
TYP Mentor/Tutor
Dispatcher/Jailer
Assistant Teacher
IT Specialist- Court
Title VI Assistant Cook
Executive Director Gamm-
ing Commission
Project Specialist Billing/
Benefit Specialist
Caseworker Specialist
Physician
Travel Agent
Tag Agent/ Property Officer
Key License Investigator
Lead Slot Technician
Part Time Retail Clerk
IT Manager
Cultural Preservation Spe-
cialist
Probate Specialist
Horse Barn Assistant

Requirements for Vehicle Registration

Oklahoma Insurance Verification

Tribal Member name must be on Lien Entry Form

Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma CDIB card, and title to vehicle

To obtain a veteran or handicap tag, it is required that the Iowa Tribal Member, is the Veteran/handicapped individual.



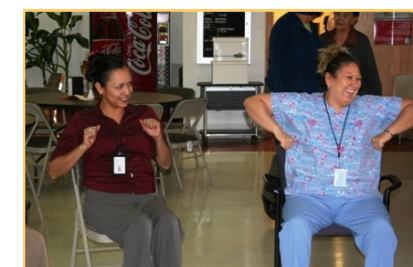
18 X 18 Jean
Bale Prints
"Gathering
Nuts" on Sale
now for \$10

2008 Fall Sale
Located 3 miles S. on Hwy 177
Iowa Tribal Complex
Starts October 15, 2008

**Come by and see all the great buys on out
Sale Table!**

Items include:

Pendleton Vests
Iowa Tribe Sweatshirts
Beaded Bracelets
Various Artwork Prints
Art Paints



Elders Siter-cize in the WhiteCloud Building; Tuesday, Oct. 21st



Tah-Je-Do-Weh-Che Four Winds Childcare Early Head Start And Child Development Center



Sparky the dog came by to visit on October 2nd. This was to help celebrate fire prevention week. The Preschoolers and the School-agers went to the Grider Pumpkin Patch in Perkins they had a couple of parents attend to help with the pumpkins and the children had a good time.



We want to wish everyone a safe and happy Halloween and if you are going to vote here is a list of key voting dates:

Absentee Ballots Available	Oct. 5th
Early Voting Begins	Oct. 5th
Registration Deadline	Oct. 10
Election Day	Nov. 4th
Primary (Presidential)	Feb. 5th
Primary (All Other Races)	July 29th

The Stand Down is a military term referring to an opportunity to achieve a brief respite from combat. Troops would assemble in a base camp to receive new clothing, hot food, and relative degree of safety before returning to the front.

CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO
3rd ANNUAL TRIBAL STAND DOWN
Monday- November 10th, 9:00am-4:30pm
Location: Concho Community Hall- Concho, Oklahoma

ALL TRIBAL AND NON-TRIBAL VETERANS ARE WELCOMED

Sponsored by: C & A Office of Veterans Affairs
Contact: Marvin Wilson, Service Officer
(405) 422-7691 or 1-800-247-4612 ext. 27691

United States Department of Labor
Office of the Assistant Secretary
for Administration and Management
Washington, D.C. 20210

Gobble Up The Gold

Wednesday, November 26, 2008
5 to 8 p.m.

Kick Off Thanksgiving A Day Early

Join us for a giveaway stuffed with chances to win hearty servings of cash prizes! You could win up to \$500! And, all Guests will receive a free mini bag of candy corn.*

*While supplies last.

CIMARRON CASINO

SEE CLUB BOOTH FOR DETAILS. MUST BE AT LEAST 21 YEARS OF AGE. MANAGEMENT RESERVES ALL RIGHTS. THE IOWA TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA INVITES YOU TO PLAY RESPONSIBLY. IF YOU THINK YOU HAVE A GAMBLING PROBLEM CALL 800-522-4700. 821 W. FREEMAN AVE • PERKINS, OK 74059 • 405-547-5352 • CIMARRONCASINO.COM

Stacking the Deck Against Diabetes

You are invited to our first quarterly learning session on diabetes.

When: October 29, 2008 (Wednesday)
Registration begins at 8:30, Program Starts at 9:00 and Ends at 12:30
Where: Building next to Perkins Family Clinic (Old Clinic)

Door Prizes: Everyone will receive some goodies to take home. You will also be receiving cards through-out the program. Whoever has the **best poker hand** at the end of the program will receive the grand prize.

Topics include: Diabetes management/monitoring, Medicine, Healthy Lifestyle, Exercise and Nutrition.

Sessions will be instructed by the Iowa Tribe's staff: Physician, Pharmacist, Diabetes Nurse, Diabetes Dietitian & Wellness Coordinator

Lunch will be provided to conclude our program.

Our goal is to help provide you the tools needed to prevent complications of diabetes.

Iowa Tribe Of Oklahoma
Perkins Family Clinic—
Diabetes Program
509 E Hwy 33 Perkins, OK 74059

For More information:
Contact Katina Minney or Patty Anson
Phone: 405-547-2473, ext 234

Together, We can BEAT diabetes!!!

Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma
Early Head Start
Expectant Families Group Meeting
Infant Massage
By: Michelle Tolle
October 28th, 5:30pm
At the Four Winds Child Development Center

There will be a drawing for your chance to win a massage for yourself!!!

Infant Massage is great for bonding with your baby. But it may also help relax them before bedtime, calm fussiness, relieve symptoms of colic, constipation, teething, and also contribute to healthy brain development!

• Meal Also Provided
• Questions/Directions call Jennifer 405-547-2402 extension 2791



Iowa Tribal Member Meat Distribution December 2008



MUST BE AN IOWA TRIBAL MEMBER 18 YEARS AND OLDER TO APPLY

Name: _____
Please Print

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Phone #: _____ Birth Date: _____ Roll # _____

If you are unable to pick up your meat please sign below:

I, _____ give permission for _____
Print Name

Name

to pick up my buffalo meat.

Tribal member's signature

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
Bottom Section to Be Filled Out When Meat Is Received

Verified by: _____
Staff Initials Date # of Pounds

Signature: _____
Received by

**CALL AUNDREA CARDWELL AT 405-547-2402 FOR DATES AND TIMES OF
DISTRUBUTION SCHEDUAL AND REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR CDIB CARD**



GO VOTE!

NOVEMBER 4TH



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